

There was no objection.

#### IMMIGRATION

(Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, our inability to pass either of the immigration bills yesterday was a disappointing failure to solve two of the largest problems we face: routine illegal border crossing and abuse of the asylum system.

In addition to wall-building and border security bills, I have sponsored legislation to get the workers we need to drive a growing economy:

Change our system of immigration from family-based to skill-based, like Australia and Canada. We need legal, verifiable, and skilled or the educatable to be workers coming in all ranges of skills. This is the RAISE Act.

I have also introduced a bill to prevent claiming amnesty from anyone who is already inside our borders. Amnesty is supposed to derive from “credible fear” of persecution, not flight because the country of origin is dangerous, lawless, or offers little economic opportunity to its citizens—not our problem.

These proposals would go a long way to solving the immigration crisis and creating a workforce to drive a growing U.S. economy in the 21st century.

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#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF CHARLES PAGE

(Mr. PANETTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the life and legacy of Charles Page, a true public servant who considered himself so blessed that he went by the nickname of Mr. Lucky.

But it goes without saying that all of us benefited from Charlie's generosity and willingness to give back to the place that we call home.

He came to the Monterey Peninsula as a young airman assigned to the Defense Language Institute. He stayed there, built his life there, and continued to serve there as a two-term city councilman, as the president of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Government, and as the founder of the Monterey County Legal Aid Society, as well as the founder of the Monterey Peninsula College Foundation.

Charlie understood the value of junior colleges, not just for students, but for the entire community.

He inspired people to get involved, including myself. I will never forget when I received a phone call out of the blue asking me when I was going to get involved, when I was going to serve.

I believe that that call sparked the beginning of my career in service.

Mr. Speaker, for that and all of his contributions to our community and

country, I recognize Charlie Page, for we are all blessed and lucky to know him.

#### ROME LAB STANDS AT THE FOREFRONT OF ADVANCED CYBER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

(Ms. TENNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, the Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate, otherwise known as Rome Lab, stands at the forefront of advanced cyber research and development projects within the Air Force and plays an integral role in ensuring that our military has the 21st century tools to dominate in cyberspace and on the battlefield.

The importance of Rome Lab in my district in New York State cannot be overstated. That is why I have continued to advocate and secure record level funding for Rome Lab.

I am grateful to have Defense Appropriations Subcommittee Chairwoman KAY GRANGER, who has advocated for increasing by another \$10 million for our Federal funding to enhance current research and development into our small Unmanned Aerial Systems, an essential tool of modern warfare.

Additionally, our office secured over \$200 million in funding, which represents a 10 percent increase over last year's level, and another \$14.2 million in funding for a perimeter fence around Rome Lab to secure this vitally important and highly sensitive asset.

The high-tech ecosystem and hub of research and development built around Rome Lab has created a rich environment for entrepreneurs to start new ventures and to thrive in the Mohawk Valley.

It is estimated that Rome Lab's impact in 2017 was over \$392 million in the surrounding five-county region.

It is an honor to represent the talented, dedicated, and hardworking workforce at Rome Lab. It is critically important that we protect this asset.

#### SUMMER RECESS STOPS SCHOOL SHOOTINGS

(Mr. DEUTCH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, in the 4½ months since 17 people were killed in a mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, there have been 15 shootings at schools and colleges around the country.

In the absence of congressional action, the only thing that has stopped these school shootings is summer recess.

But summer recess won't stop the daily gun violence in communities across the country. In the past 72 hours, 97 people were killed and 180 people were injured by gun violence.

And summer recess won't provide relief to the families who are still grieving the loss of their children, their loved ones.

Earlier this month, four Stoneman Douglas seniors were honored with degrees they earned but never received because they were murdered in their school. Their parents and siblings walked onto that stage instead. It shouldn't have been this way.

It is time for this House to act on gun violence. Bring up the bipartisan bills on universal background checks, banning bump stocks, gun violence restraining orders.

We cannot wait until the school bell rings again this fall. We have to act now.

#### HONORING OFFICER MATHEW MAZANY

(Mr. JOYCE of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, today, I want to honor the life and service of a brave constituent of mine, Mentor police officer Mathew Mazany.

Officer Mazany, a 14-year veteran officer, was killed in a tragic hit-and-run on Sunday morning while helping with a traffic stop.

He achieved his dream by following in the footsteps of his father, who also served as a police officer for 34 years in Maple Heights, not too far from Mentor.

His coworkers and those who knew him best described him as a happy-go-lucky kind of guy who enjoyed the Mentor community.

Officer Mazany leaves behind a son, a brother, a father, and countless others who had the pleasure of knowing him.

His legacy and dedication to public service will not be forgotten.

My prayers are with Officer Mazany's family, his friends, the city of Mentor and the Mentor Police Department during this difficult time.

#### WE NEED TO RESTORE DEMOCRACY

(Mr. SARBANES asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, today, too many Americans feel that their own democracy doesn't respect them, that they are left out and locked out of their own democracy.

That is why Democrats today are introducing the By the People Resolution, a broad set of reforms, a declaration of principles that we need to restore democracy and give people their voice back, in three broad categories of reform:

Voter empowerment, voting rights; making sure that it is easier, not harder, to access the ballot box and to cast your vote.